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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This Amendment and Response is filed responsive to the Non-Final Office Action mailed September 24, 2004, the response period for which is extended to February 24, 2005, by the accompanying Request for a Two Month Extension of Time. In view of the comments set forth below, Applicants submit that the pending claims are patentable and in condition for allowance.

**Amendments to the Specification** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.